



Travis County Historical Commission

The regular meeting of the Travis County Historical Commission (TCHC) was held on Wednesday, May 11, 2016, at 3401 Webberville Road, Austin, Texas. Commission Chair Bob Ward called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM and declared a quorum present.

Attendance: Present were Rosemary Morrow, Teri Flack, Bobby Cervantes, David White, Adrienne Rison-Isom, Patti Hansen, Dan Hickox, Shawn Malone, Bob Ward, Nora Jackson, May Schmidt, Vonnys Rice-Gardner, and Margarine Beaman. Absent: Bob Perkins, Jeannette Cook, Marjorie Alford, Larry Oaks, Marty Moulthrop, Barry Hutcheson, and David Peyton.

Minutes: A motion to approve the minutes of the April meeting was approved unanimously.

Report from the Chair

1. The Chair reported that the RFQ for the Palm School "Historic Structures Report" has been submitted to the Travis County Purchasing Office, where it remains under review this month.
2. Reporting on the Fortress Home, a historic structure originally built in 1850, the Chair said that home building company D.H. Horton now owns the building and plans to preserve it, state historical marker and all.
3. The 1849 Park in Pflugerville, a new 243-acre community park and sports complex, will maintain the historic Henry Pfluger house and cemetery, with a TCHC tour possible in October.

Action Items

1. \$700 in Commission funds was approved for training.
2. \$675 in Commission funds was approved for a table drape.
3. Purchase of an electronic storage device, suitable for preserving certain historical records, was approved, with the Chair authorized to spend the appropriate amount, subject to budget constraints.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Nora Jackson circulated this month's report, noting that certain accounts had been adjusted to match County requirements regarding expenditure accounting.

CLG Committee

Bob Ward reported on the progress made on the SW-W Travis County Survey, the African-American/Mexican-American Settlement survey, and the new Northwest Travis County survey.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:45 PM, and was followed by presentations from the ACC students of Vonnice Rice-Gardner.

Respectfully submitted,
Shawn Malone
Secretary